

Please Amend the Claims as Follow:

1. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a leaf display device made of naturally occurring broadleaf stems, each said broadleaf stem comprising a plurality of naturally attached leaves comprising a first, topmost leaf, a second leaf adjacent said first leaf, and a third leaf adjacent said second leaf, said method comprising the steps of:
  - A. Positioning said first leaf substantially co-linearly with said broadleaf stem;
  - B. Positioning said second leaf over said first leaf;
  - C. Positioning said third leaf over said second leaf; and
  - D. Continuing this positioning process on each successive leaf progressing along said broadleaf stem away from said first leaf until all leaves desired are stacked; and
  - E. Selecting which surface of each said leaf should be visible when viewed from a visible side of the stacked broadleaf stem, said visible side of said stacked broadleaf stem being a side of said broadleaf stem upon which said last leaf was stacked.
2. (canceled)
3. (original) The method of manufacturing a leaf display device of claim 1 wherein a width of said stacked broadleaf stem is substantially equal to twice an average width of the leaves comprising said finished stacked broadleaf stem.

4. (original) The method of manufacturing a leaf display device of claim 3 comprising the further step of removing a top portion of said broadleaf stem as necessary to provide a single said leaf emerging from a top of said stem.
5. (original) The method of manufacturing a leaf display device of claim 4 comprising the further step of trimming one or more superfluous, unstacked leaves from a lower portion of said broadleaf stem after said leaves have been stacked.
6. (original) The method of manufacturing a leaf display device of claim 5 comprising the further step of trimming off a stem bottom from said broadleaf stem.
7. (original) The method of manufacturing a leaf display device of claim 1 comprising the further step of attaching one or more of said stacked broadleaf stems to a leaf display device frame.
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19. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a leaf display device made of naturally occurring broadleaf stems, each said broadleaf stem comprising a plurality of naturally attached leaves, said method comprising the steps of:

- A. Positioning a top leaf on a broadleaf stem substantially co-linear with said broadleaf stem;
- B. Positioning a leaf adjacent said top leaf substantially parallel to, and partially on top of said top leaf;
- C. Positioning a leaf adjacent the leaves already stacked substantially parallel to, and partially on top of the previously stacked leaves; and
- D. Repeating the previous step until all leaves desired to be stacked have been stacked; and

E. Selecting which surface of each said leaf should be visible when viewed from a visible side of the stacked broadleaf stem, said visible side of said stacked broadleaf stem being a side of said broadleaf stem upon which said last leaf was stacked.

20. (canceled)

21. (original) The method of manufacturing a leaf display device of claim 19 wherein a width of said stacked broadleaf stem is substantially equal to twice an average width of the leaves comprising said finished stacked broadleaf stem.

22. (original) The method of manufacturing a leaf display device of claim 19 comprising the further step of attaching one or more of said stacked broadleaf stems to a leaf display device frame.

23. (canceled)

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25. (canceled)

26. (previously presented) A method of manufacturing a leaf display device using an apparatus comprising a broadleaf stem holder, said broadleaf stem holder comprising a recess sized to admit at least one stacked broadleaf stem, said method comprising the steps of:

- A. Positioning a top leaf on a broadleaf stem substantially co-linear with said broadleaf stem;
- B. Positioning a leaf adjacent said top leaf substantially parallel to, and partially on top of said top leaf;
- C. Positioning a leaf adjacent the leaves already stacked substantially parallel to, and partially on top of the previously stacked leaves; and
- D. Repeating the previous step until all leaves desired to be stacked have been stacked.
- E. Placing one said stacked broadleaf stem into said recess, whereby said stacked broadleaf stem is held in the stacked configuration, ready for later assembly into a leaf display device.

27. (original) The method of manufacturing a leaf display device of claim 26 comprising the further step of removing said stacked broadleaf stem from said broadleaf stem holder and attaching said stacked broadleaf stem to a leaf display device frame.

28. (original) The method of manufacturing a leaf display device of claim 27 comprising the further step of placing at least one said broadleaf stem holder on a transportation device, transporting said at least one broadleaf stem holder to a leaf display device assembly location, and attaching at least one said stacked broadleaf stem to a leaf display device frame.

29. (previously presented) A method of manufacturing a leaf display device comprising the steps of:

- A. Positioning a top leaf on a broadleaf stem substantially co-linear with said broadleaf stem;
- B. Positioning a leaf adjacent said top leaf substantially parallel to, and partially on top of said top leaf;

- C. Positioning a leaf adjacent the leaves already stacked substantially parallel to, and partially on top of the previously stacked leaves; and
- D. Repeating the previous step until all leaves desired to be stacked have been stacked.
- E. Placing a leaf display device inverted in a drying area, drying for three days at a temperature substantially equal to  $85 - 90$  degrees F  $\pm 5$  degrees and a relative humidity equal to  $30\% \pm 10\%$ , and then turning the leaf display device right side up for an additional day of drying under the same conditions.

30. (canceled)